(d) if so, by when the plastic currency notes will be made available in the market?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

**Role of middlemen at Inland Container Depot, Tughtaqabad**

4319. SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the middlemen charge the trader heavily to get routine information in regard to clearance of trade items from the Inland Container Depot, at Tughlaqabad; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to keep middlemen out of Inland Container Depot?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) No case of any middlemen found operating at Inland Container Depot, Tughlaqabad has been noticed.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

**Rates of interest by NABARD on Farmers' loan**

† 4320. SHRI P. K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the rates of interest have not been brought down on the loans provided to the farmers by NABARD;

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.